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INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the monthly minimum balances, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained at the office.

CHR. DE GUIGNÉ,

Manager.

Offices in Hongkong: Bank Buildings, Queen's Road,

Hongkong, May 14, 1875.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.

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JAMES GREIG,

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Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East,

Hongkong, February 17, 1876.

## ON SALE.

## THE

CHINESE READER'S MANUAL.

A HANDBOOK of Biographical, Historical, Mythological and General Literary References,

BY WILLIAM FREDERICK MAYERS.

Price, \$3.

Shanghai, KELLY & Co.

Hongkong, "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

I Have this day authorized Mr. J. Y. V. SHAW to sign my name per procuration.

A. MACG. HEATON.

Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have entered into Co-partnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Ship-brokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY.

A. G. MORRIS.

E. C. RAY.

Bank Buildings,

Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

### NOTICE.

WE have Established branches of our Firm at Haiphong and Hanoi. Mr. E. CONSTANTIN is authorized to sign by procuration in Tonquin.

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

### NOTICE.

I HAVE this day Established myself as GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT at the Ports of Takow and Taiwan.

P. F. DA SILVA.

Formosa, April 1, 1876.

### NOTIFICATION.

IT is herewith notified that a CUSTOM HOUSE has been Established at HOI-HOW (海口), the Treaty Port of KIUNGCHOW (潮州), and has been opened for transaction of Business under this day's date.

H. O. BROWN,

Commissioner of Customs.

Kiungchow Customs,

Hoi-how, April 1, 1876.

### Intimations.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

DURING my absence from Hongkong the MANAGEMENT of the above Company's Station will be TAKEN OVER by Mr. C. C. BOESEN, who has been appointed ACTING SUPERINTENDENT.

A. SUMMONS,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

I BEG to notify that I have been appointed ACTING SUPERINTENDENT for the above Company's Station at this Port from this date.

CARL CHR. BOESEN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE.

A SPECIAL AGENCY of the Company has been opened in LONDON, under the management of Mr. WALDEMAR SCHMIDT, at 8, St. Michael's Alley, Cornhill.

By Order,

W. H. RAY,

Secretary.

Hongkong, March 28, 1876.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that all CREDITORS and other Persons having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of JOHN WOTHERSPOON, late of Bangkok, in the Kingdom of Siam, who died on the 6th day of July, 1871, and whose Will was duly proved in the Probate Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Hongkong by WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON, of 29, Queen's Road, Hongkong, Solicitor, to whom Letters of Administration with the Will annexed were duly granted by the said Court on the 10th day of March, 1876, are hereby required to SEND in writing the PARTICULARS of their Claims or Demands to the said WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON, on or before the 1st day of July next; and notice is hereby also given, that at the expiration of the last mentioned day the said WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said JOHN WOTHERSPOON amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Claims of which he has then had notice; and that the said WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose Claims he has not had notice at the time of the distribution.

Dated this 29th day of March, 1876.

W. H. BRERETON,

29, Queen's Road, Hongkong,

Solicitor.

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STAFFORDSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF HANLEY.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £250,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and Shanghai for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Fire Insurance at current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

## Intimations.

THE MERCHANTS' MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF LONDON.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance at current rates, payable in London, India, Australia, New Zealand, Straits, Mauritius, Java, Manila, China, Japan, California, &c., &c.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

Note.—By the Company's Articles of Association it is provided that, after payment to the shareholders of a dividend of 10 per cent. per annum, one fourth of the residue of profits will be rateably divided amongst those Insurers out of whose business profits have been made during the year.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAM-BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

FIRST Class Fare on the Hongkong and Canton route has been Reduced to \$3 for Single trip and \$5 Return.

By Order,

P. A. DA COSTA,

Secretary.

Hongkong, April 3, 1876.

### NOTICE.

THE OFFICE of the Undersigned has been REMOVED to No. 1, QUEEN'S ROAD, corner of Ico House Lane.

W. H. NOTLEY,

Agent, Messrs. Henry S. King & Co., London.

Hongkong, April 15, 1876.

### For Sale.

SAYLE & Co. have opened their first delivery of New Goods for the coming Season, to which they invite special attention.

Ladies' and Children's Ready-made Costumes in a variety of Styles.

Morning Wrappers in Embroidered Linen, Printed, Cambric, White Brilliant and Muslin.

French Toilet Jackets.

Richly Embroidered Cambric Skirts.

A Large Assortment of Dress Materials in all the newest designs.

French Millinery of the latest fashions.

Boys' Holland Suits & Pinafors.

Ladies' Underclothing.

Ladies' and Children's Boots and Shoes.

Also,

A fresh supply of the "Little Wanzer" Sewing Machines.

Agents for Hongkong.

SAYLE & Co.,

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

### FOR SALE.

THE UNDERMENTIONED LAND AND BUILDINGS.

AT HONGKONG:—

INLAND Lot 82.—The well-known House and Offices lately occupied by Messrs. A. Heard & Co., adjoining the Cathedral Compound.

The Ground below the masonry retaining wall of the above, abutting on the Queen's Road.

Annual Crown rent, \$380.48.

MARINE Lot 111, WANOEAL.—First-class and extensive Godowns.

Annual Crown rent, \$324.

AT YOKOHAMA:—

Lots No. 6 and No. 27 in the Foreign Settlement.

No. 6 is situated on the Bund, and comprises an eight-roomed Dwelling House, detached, with Garden all round, Offices, Godowns, Servants' Quarters and Outhouses. Area 1,094 Square of 86 square feet.

Annual Ground rent, \$263.78.

No. 27 is separated from No. 6 by Water Street and comprises large Tea-Firing and other Godowns, Floss Silk Press, Compradore's Quarters, Stabling and Fire Engine House. Area, 654 Taubos.

Ground rent, \$104.97 per annum.

Applications for purchase, or further information, to be made to

J. WHITTELL,

T. G. LINSTEAD,

Trusted A. Heard & Co.'s Estate, 83, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

## For Sale.

### FOR SALE.

200 Casks OLARET from BORDEAUX.

Apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, March 10, 1876.

### FOR SALE.

THE Undermentioned valuable LAND AND BUILDINGS on Inland Lot No. 7, situated at 48 and 49, Queen's Road, the Property of the late Mr. G. B. FALCONER:—

THE TWO BLOCKS of BUILDINGS occupying the finest position, are of the most commodious description, with TREASURY and ample Godowns; the Ground Floor are of Granite, the Buildings are known to be the most handsome and substantially built Premises in the Colony, and are all in perfect condition and good order, &c.

Applications for Purchase, or further information, to be made to

JOHN NOBLE,

48, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, March 30, 1876.

## Auctions.

NAVAL STATION, MAUO.

ON the 19th April, 1876, at 1 o'clock p.m., the Gunboat JAMOENS, her Mast, Hull, &c., as already advertised, will again be put up for Sale by Public Auction, the bids commencing from the Upset Price obtained at the Sale held on the 10th instant, viz. \$2,160.

MANOEL CESARIO PEREIRA,

Secretary of Council.

Naval Station,

Macao, April 11, 1876.

## FURNITURE SALE.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 22nd April, 1876, at Noon, at the residence of L. HAUSSCHILD, Esq., No. 46, Peel Street.

The whole of his Elegant HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising:

Rep Covered Drawing Suite, Couches, Chairs and Easy Chairs, Centre Table, Gilt Frame Engravings and Mirrors, Card-Table, Dining Table, Whatnot, Sideboard, Crockery and Glassware, Cutlery, Plated-ware, Bedstead, Wardrobes, Chest of Drawers, Washstand, Toilet Table and Mirror,

&c., &c., &c.

Also,

A PIANO.

Catalogues will be issued prior to the Sale.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17.

Hongkong, April 15, 1876.

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

### FOR SHANGHAI.

Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for HANKOW, NINGPO & PORTS IN JAPAN.

The Company's Steamship "ANTENOR" will be despatched on or about the 18th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, April 10, 1876.

### STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to HIOGO & NAGASAKI.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. "SUNDA" will leave for the above place shortly after the arrival of the Hindostan with the next English Mail.

A. MOYER,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 13, 1876.

### STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. "HINDOSTAN" will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next English Mail.

A. MOYER,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 13, 1876.

### FOR SHANGHAI.

The British Steamer "VIKING" Captain CASTLE, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, April 11, 1876.

## Shipping.



## Mails.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.  
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.  
STEAM FOR  
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, RATAVIA,  
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ,  
ISMAILA, PORT SAID, NAPLES,  
AND MARSEILLES;  
ALSO,  
BOMBAY, ST. DENIS AND PORT  
LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 20th April, 1876, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *IRAOUADY*, Commandant GAVAIN, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping orders will be granted till noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 19th April, 1876. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 12, 1876. ap20

## For Sale.

## FOR SALE.

THE WORLD, WHEN COMETH IT? Or, What Certain Physicists are Saying. By T. QUOQUE. Shanghai, 1876. 1 Vol. PRICE—\$1.00 Stitched, \$1.25 Bound.

Apply to  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, April 6, 1876. ap20

## BISCUIT FLOUR.

AN Excellent FOOD for INFANTS and CHILDREN.  
MANUFACTURED SOLELY BY  
THE HONGKONG & CHINA BAKERY CO., LIMITED.  
In Tins Containing 6 lbs.  
Hongkong, April 8, 1876. my8

## FOR SALE.

THIS Season's American HAMS and BACON in prime condition. Smoked SALMON.  
Golden Gate Baker's EXTRA FLOUR in Barrels and Tins.  
MAGWEN, FRICKEL & Co.  
Hongkong, February 19, 1876.

## FOR SALE.

THE whole of the Property known as FLETCHER'S, Situate on Marine Lots Nos. 20 and 21, and covering an area of 121,804 square feet.  
Annual Crown Rent about \$1,900.  
Taxes " " 1,600.  
For further information, apply to  
THE BORNEO CO., LIMITED.  
Hongkong, April 4, 1876. ap18

## NOW READY.

YEN-SHUI; OR, THE RUDIMENTS OF NATURAL SCIENCE IN CHINA. By Dr. E. J. KITTEL. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.50.

BUDDHISM, ITS HISTORY, THEORY AND POPULAR BELIEFS, in three Lectures. By Dr. E. J. KITTEL. Second Edition. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.50.

Orders will be received by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.  
Hongkong, July 31, 1873.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling off SOMERSET, COOKTOWN, CLEVELAND BAY, BOWEN and KEPPEL BAY, to land Mails and Passengers.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "BOWEN" will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 21st instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1876. ap21

## FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

THE S. S. Vancouver having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Underwriters and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents, S. S. Vancouver.

Hongkong, April 17, 1876. ap24

## ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL CHURCH.

Annual General Meeting of Seatholders.

THE Annual General Meeting of the Seatholders of St. John's Cathedral Church will be held at the Vestry on Thursday, the 27th day of April instant, at 4.30 p.m., for the purpose of electing two Trustees for the ensuing year, and for passing the Accounts of the Treasurer, under the provisions of Clauses 4 and 16 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1847.

EDMUND SHARP,  
Trustee and Treasurer to the Body of Trustees.

Hongkong, April 15, 1876. ap27

## To-day's Advertisements.

## CITY HALL.

MADAME CARLOTTA TASCA begs to announce that her CONCERT will take place at the above Hall,

## SATURDAY NEXT,

22nd April.

Under the immediate Patronage of H. E. Sir ARTHUR KENNEDY, R.C.M.G.; C.B. Vice-Admiral Ryder.  
Sir John and Lady Smale.  
Col. Dickins and the Officers of the 28th Regt.

During the Evening by kind permission of Col. Dickins and the Officers, the Band of the 28th will perform.

Reserved Seats, \$2.00

Unreserved Seats, \$1.00

Doors Open at 8.30, Commence at 9.

Tickets to be had at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., when a plan of the Hall may be seen.

Hongkong, April 17, 1876. ap23

THE Officers of H.M.S. *Topaze* will give an AMATEUR PERFORMANCE at the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, on MONDAY, 24th Inst., in aid of LOCAL CHARITIES.

The Performances will commence with the Petite Comedy of

"WHO SPEAKS FIRST?"

To conclude with the Burlesque of

"VILIKINS AND HIS DINAR"

Admission, \$2.

Tickets at LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s on and after Wednesday, 19th inst.

Hongkong, April 17, 1876. ap24

## FOR MANILA.

The Steamship "ESMERALDA"

will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
A. MACG. HEATON,  
Agent.

Hongkong, April 17, 1876.

## FOR SWATOW, AMOY &amp; FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "YESSO"

Capt. PURCHARD, will have immediate despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, April 17, 1876.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

April 15, *Haze*, American ship, from Whampoa.

April 15, *Irene*, German schooner, from Whampoa.

April 16, *Amoy*, from Canton.

April 17, *Montgomeryshire*, Brit. steamer, 1146, Sturrock, Saigon April 12, Rice—H. KIER.

April 17, *Antenor*, British steamer, 1644, H. Jones, Liverpool and Singapore April 17, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

April 17, *Caribbrooke*, British steamer, 960, Scott, Singapore April 10, General.—Soon CHEONG & Co.

April 17, *Iraoudy*, French steamer, 2440, Gauvain, Shanghai April 14, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

April 17, *Vancouver*, British steamer, 2928, Thos. Shaw, San Francisco Mar. 18, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

## DEPARTURES.

April 15, *Dora*, for Sual.

15, *Peng-chai-hai*, on a cruise.

16, *Ningpo*, for Canton.

16, *Douglas*, for Coast Ports.

16, *Candor*, for Saigon.

16, *F. H. Drews*, for Saigon.

17, *Esmeralda*, for Amoy.

17, *Pernambuco*, for Saigon.

17, *Fyen*, for Bangkok.

17, *Quang-se*, for Yokohama and San Francisco.

## CLEARED.

*Minna*, for Kelung.

*Nicoline*, for Hamburg.

*Louise Marie*, for Whampoa.

## PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.—Per *Montgomeryshire*, 22 Chinese.

Per *Antenor*, 217 Chinese.

Per *Vancouver*, Mr. Frank H. Merrill, and 40 Chinese.

Per *Iraoudy*, from Shanghai, Messrs Ankersmith and Clark.

Per *Caribbrooke*, 280 Chinese and 6 women.

DEPARTED.—Per *Douglas*, for Fouchow: Messrs J. Turner and H. J. Smith, and 271 Chinese.

Per *Fyen*, 20 Chinese.

Per *Candor*, 4 Chinese.

Per *Quang-se*, 2 cabin and 563 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Montgomeryshire* reports: fine weather all the trip except the morning of the 17th.

The British steamer *Antenor* reports: arrived off Lema Island at daylight on the 16th, dense fog set in and continued until arrival in port at 5.30 p.m.; came to in 17 fathoms not having seen anything since passing Anasaba Islands. April 17, a.m. still dense fog at 10, clearing a little fog under weigh and arrived Hongkong 2 p.m. 48 days from Liverpool. Explored light E. and S.E. winds up China Sea.

The British steamer *Caribbrooke* reports: light variable winds and fine weather throughout.

The British steamer *Vancouver* reports: left San Francisco at 3.15 p.m. on the 18th. Experienced moderate weather throughout the passage. Passed Latawieh at 1 a.m. on 10th inst. (position on chart found to be correct) On the 16th, 16th and 17th dense fog; was detained outside in consequence six hours. Arrived at Hongkong on 17th at 4 p.m. The *Vancouver* brings 743 tons Merchandise, 595 tons of which are Flour, also, 22 packages Treasure amounting to \$46,936.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE.—

## FOR COOKTOWN.—

Per *MEUCA*, at 1.30 p.m. on Tuesday, the 18th Inst.

## FOR SWATOW.—

Per *RIGA*, at 8.30 a.m. on Wednesday, the 19th inst.

## FOR NEW YORK.—

Per Bk. *HAZE*, at noon on Thursday, the 20th instant.

For SINGAPORE, QUEENSLAND, SYDNEY, TASMANIA AND MELBOURNE.—  
Per *BOWEN*, at 11.30 a.m. on Friday, the 21st instant.

## MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *IRAOUADY*, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 20th inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom via Marseilles; to Europe, Saigon, Singapore, Galle, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.—

Wednesday, 19th Inst.—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 20th Inst.—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps; Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m., Post-Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom or to Singapore may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

ALFRED LISTER,  
Postmaster General.

## MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—

The English Contract Packet *MONGOLIA*, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the 22nd instant.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.—

Friday, 21st Inst.—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

Saturday, 22nd Inst.—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps; Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage until

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet on payment of a Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage.

11.50 a.m., Posting on Board ceases.

ALFRED LISTER,  
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,  
Hongkong, April 13, 1876. ap22

## MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *GALIC*, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 1st May, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2 p.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes.

2.30 p.m. Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage until

2.50 p.m. when the Mail is finally closed.

Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Letters, &c. can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. American Stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hongkong Stamps, and 10 cents in U.S. Stamps to those places only the names of which are printed in Italics. To all the other places named correspondence cannot be Registered through, but only to San Francisco (8 cents.)

The following are the charges on Correspondence thus sent:—

Per half ounce, U.S. Stamps, 1 cent.

Canada, British Columbia, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Island, Vancouver's Island, Bahamas, Nassau, New Providence, &c., 8

Apinwall, Bermuda, Bogota, Cartagena, Costa Rica, Cuba, Curacao, Fiji, Greenland, Jamaica, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, West Indies, &c., 8

Hawaii, Newfoundland, &c., 8

Guatemala, Mexico, Salvador, Venezuela, &c., 8

Batavia, Greys w., Oatland, Honduras, Martinique, Santa Martha, Turks Island, &c., 8

Brasilia, &c., 8

Bolivia, Ecuador, Chili, Peru, Argentine Confederation, Buenos Ayres, Paraguay, &c., 8

Newspapers (not over 4 oz.) 2

Books, &c., per 4 oz., 4

Any articles found enclosed in Newspapers or Book Packages (as silk, scarves, jewellery, &c.) will be detained.

ALFRED LISTER,  
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,  
Hongkong, April 14, 1876. may1

## General Memoranda.

## WEDNESDAY, April 19:—

1 p.m.—Sale of Masts, Hull, &c., of Gunboat *Camois* at Macao.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Lodge.

Goods per *Viking* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Naples* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, April 20:—

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Nestor leaves for London on or about this date.

FRIDAY, April 21:—

Noon.—Boxen leaves for Singapore, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

## SATURDAY, April 22:—

10 a.m.—Meeting of the Legislative Council.

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Noon.—Tenders received at Spanish Consulate for construction of Six Boilers.

Noon.—Furniture Sale at the residence of L. Hauschild, Esq.

9 p.m.—Madame Carlotta Tasca's Concert at City Hall.

Claims against the Estate of Captain Lawrence Young, deceased, must be sent in on or before this date.

SUNDAY, April 23:—

Goods per *Russia* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, April 24:—

Amateur Performance at City Hall.

THURSDAY, April 27:—

4.30 p.m.—Meeting of Seatholders at St. John's Cathedral Church.

SUNDAY, April 30:—

Claims against the Estate of George Barty Falconer, deceased, must be sent in on or before this date.

MONDAY, May 1:—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer *Galic* leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

MONDAY, May 15:—

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

## Shipping.

Antenor leaves for Shanghai on or about this date.

## Miscellaneous.

4 p.m.—Choral Festival at Cathedral.

## TO ADVERTISERS.

It is requested that all advertisements be sent, when practicable, by 4 p.m., to allow of the early issue of the paper.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.40 p.m.

## BIRTH.

On the 13th instant, at 8, Devonport Street, Hyde Park, the Wife of ERNEST DEACON, of a Son.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 17, 1876.

WHILE the subject of the Press Laws in Japan are engaging so much attention, it is interesting to note that even in "free" America the Californian Senate has recently deemed it necessary to pass two singularly restrictive measures for "muzzling" the newspapers. One of them requires the signature of the writer to be appended to every original article, and the other compels journals to retract any statement which is actionable as a libel. It appears that both Bills originated through some reckless and sensational statements having been made in one of the San Francisco papers, and the *Daily Post* also believes that "the envy, vanity and spleen of a few Senators" had something to do with their introduction. The *Post* concludes its notice of the measures as follows:—"If we are not much in error, the Senators, who voted for these malignant and contemptible innovations, will find before they are two years older that they have raised about their heads a swarm of hornets who will give them no peace as long as they shall live, and sting them out of the political field they have shown neither the moderation nor intelligence to honor into the cold and darkness of perpetual obscurity."

We have received for notice the Translation of the *Peking Gazette* for the year 1875. The book, as our readers need scarcely be informed, is a continuation of similar publications for previous years, and is a reprint of the translations of the *Gazette* that appear from time to time in the *North China Daily News*. It affords a large amount of entertaining reading matter for those interested in Chinese affairs, and is exceedingly valuable as a book of reference on the history of the Middle Kingdom. As is pointed out in the preface, the *Peking Gazette*, during the last







## Mails.



## STEAM FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton and London;

ALSO,

Bombay, Madras and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship *MONGOLIA*, Captain A. COLEMAN, with Her Majesty's Mail, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this for the above places, on SATURDAY, the 22nd April, at Noon.

CARGO will be received on board until Noon; SPECIE and PARCELS at the Office until 2 p.m. on the 21st Idem. For particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong.

## CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES ARE REQUIRED.

A written declaration of the Contents and Value of the Packages for the Overland Route to be required by the Egyptian Government, and must be delivered by the Shippers to the Company's Agents with the Bills of Lading, or with Parcels; and the Company do not hold themselves responsible for any detention or prejudice which may happen from incorrectness on such declaration.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co. reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their Steamers for Europe through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their own Steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

A. MOYER, Superintendent.

P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, April 13, 1876. ap22

## Occidental &amp; Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL

and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GAELIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on MONDAY, the 1st May, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of 30th Instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, Praya West.

G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 1, 1876. my1

## U. S. MAIL LINE.

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ROUTING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF PEKING" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on MONDAY, the 15th May, 1876, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitsui Bishi S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. 14th Proximo. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

For further information as to Freight and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Praya West.

G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 13, 1876. my10

DUO DE MONTEBELLO CARTE BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE. Quarts, \$15 per case (1 dozen.) Pints, \$16 " " (2 " ) 5 per cent. discount on 25 cases.

Bourbon WHISKEY.

\$12 per case (1 dozen.)

FOR SALE BY

HEARD &amp; Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1876. H.

## Insurances.

## QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

EDWARD NORTON &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

## YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS, 800,000 TAELS

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the world at current rates. This Association will, until further notice, provide out of the earnings, first for an interest Dividend of 15% to Shareholders on Capital, and thereafter distributed among Policy holders, annually, in cash, ALL the Profits of the Underwriting Business pro rata to amount of premium contributed.

RUSSELL &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 9, 1872.

## LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—Two MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods in Mats, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions. Proposals for Life Insurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or for other information, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co. Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

## THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHERIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

## MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE &amp; Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

## THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE &amp; Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

## CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY. (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the world. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT &amp; Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

## YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date, the above Association will allow a Brokerage of Thirty-three and One Third per cent. (33 1/3%) on Local Risks only.

RUSSELL &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 3, 1874.

## MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of \$10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of \$15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE &amp; Co.

Hongkong, January 9, 1876.

## Insurances.

## THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN INSURANCE COMPANY, ADELAIDE.

CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company in Hongkong, China and Japan, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance, payable in Australia, London, Calcutta, Bombay, Mauritius, China and Japan at current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL &amp; Co.

Hongkong, September 6, 1875. jy1

## THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE CO.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agent, in Hongkong, for the above-named Company, is prepared to grant Policies against Fire, on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of \$10,000, at the usual rates, subject to an immediate discount of 20%.

Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premiums for Life Insurance in China.

Life Policies effected during the year 1875, share in the Bonus to be declared on 31st December for the quinquennial period then ending.

A. MACG. HEATON.

Hongkong, September 27, 1875.

## NORTH BRITISH &amp; MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of \$10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

## ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOERS &amp; Co., Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

## Intimations.

## SPANISH CONSULATE, HONGKONG.

TENDERS for the CONSTRUCTION of SIX BOILERS for Spanish Men-of-War will be RECEIVED at this Consulate until the 22nd April next, at Noon.

No proposition will be admitted if it exceeds the price fixed by Government and does not agree with the Form, Conditions, and Plans, which will be exposed at the Office of the Consulate every working day from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A. FARAUO, Consul for Spain.

Hongkong, March 31, 1876. ap22

## NOTICE.

THE Undersigned beg respectfully to inform the Public that they have Established themselves as

BUTCHERS AND GENERAL COMPRADORES,

At No. 1, Graham Street,

And are prepared to Supply Fresh and Salt PROVISIONS and STORES; also, WINES, SPIRITS and ALES of every description.

MATHEW &amp; Co.

Hongkong, March 25, 1876. my6

## F. KRUPP'S CAST STEEL WORKS, ESSEN (GERMANY.)

Sole Agent for China, F. PEIL.

HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, COLOON (GERMANY.)

## Now Ready.

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History of the Maritime Provinces.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &amp;c.

China Mail Office.

Hongkong, March 11, 1876.

## Intimations.

## COAL DEPOT.

COALS of every description supplied to Steamers by the Undersigned. Orders may be left at the Godowns, Wanoh, with Mr J. MACLEHOSE, or LEONG Ah Yon, KWONGHING, Praya.

LANDSTEIN &amp; Co.

Hongkong, November 1, 1876. my1

## WANTED.

AN Experienced European FEMALE to accompany a Family with 3 Children to England. Terms, a free Passage. Applications to be sent to the Office of this paper, addressed "A. B. C."

Hongkong, April 11, 1876. my11

## ALL Persons having any CLAIMS against the Estate of the late A. MARCUS DALY, and all Persons indebted to the same, are requested to communicate immediately with the Undersigned.

H. LOWCOCK, Executor.

Hongkong, March 21, 1876. ap21

## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 56.

CHINA SEA.

NEMESIS ROCK BEACON.—NINGPO DISTRICT.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Nemesis Rock Beacon, No. 26 of the 1876 List of Chinese Lights, Buoys and Beacons, has been carried away and that it will be temporarily replaced by a Red Buoy moored off the Reef extending to the N. E. of the most easterly point of Ta Yew Island.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs, DAVID M. HENDERSON, Engineer-in-Chief.

IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS, ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

Shanghai, April 5, 1876. ap18

## In the Goods of CAPTAIN LAWRENCE YOUNG, Deceased.

ALL Persons having any CLAIMS against the above Estate are requested to send in Particulars of the same to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd day of April, 1876.

And all Persons being indebted to the said Estate are requested to Pay to the Undersigned their several Debts without delay.

STEPHENS &amp; HOLMES, Solicitors for the Executors.

2, Club Chambers,

Hongkong, February 22, 1876. ap22

## IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE REDUCTION OF THE PRICE OF THE

"SHANGHAI COURIER AND CHINA GAZETTE,"

IT WILL BE THE

CHEAPEST DAILY PAPER IN CHINA and as a large

INCREASE OF CIRCULATION

MAY BE CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED, THE

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## To Let.

TO LET.

With Immediate Possession.

THE House No. 35, Wellington Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs ROSE &amp; Co.

The Dwelling House No. 4, Alexandra Terrace.

The Store and Dwelling House, No. 31, Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of Miss GARRETT.

(Also with occupation from 1st April next.)

The Dwelling House No. 46, Peel Street, now in the occupation of Mr HANCOCK.

(And with occupation from 1st May next.)

The Dwelling House No. 1, Alexandra Terrace, at present in the occupation of Dr STOUT.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK &amp; Co.

Hongkong, March 20, 1876.

## TO BE LET.

A COMMODIOUS HOUSE in Queen's Road East, with Godown attached.

Rent \$25 per month.

Apply to

PURDON &amp; Co.

Hongkong, March 20, 1876. ap20

## TO LET.

With Possession on the 1st April.

THE Premises in Queen's Road Central, known as the "London Inn."

Apply to

LANE, CRAWFORD &amp; Co.

Hongkong, March 9, 1876.

## TO RENT CHEAP.

OFFICES and Godown, No. 55, Praya, lately occupied by Messrs TAYLOR &amp; THOMPSON. Also OFFICE and Godown situated in the rear of the Messageries Maritimes Office.

Apply to

LAI HING &amp; Co.

Hongkong, March 30, 1876.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 5, Zedard Street.

DAVID SASSON, SONS &amp; Co.

Hongkong, April 8, 1876.

## HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, April 15, 1876.

At 1100 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

Highest Local Cash.

## Butcher Meat.

Bacon, English, lb. 400 300

" Focchow, " 160 150

Beef, sirloin and prime cut, cy. 160 140

Beef Corned, catty 120 110

" Roast, " 150 130

" Soup, " 80 70

" Steak, " 140 130

Bullocks' Brains, per set 60 50

" Tongue, fresh, each 250 200

" " corned, " 400 350

" Head, " 1000 700

" Heart, " 140 130

" Feet, " 60 50

" Kidneys, " 70 60

" Tail, " 120 110

" Liver, catty 90 80

" Tripe (undressed), catty 40 30

Calves' Head and Feet, set 500 450

Hams, American, lb. 350

" Chinese, " 200 160

" English, " 400 360

Mutton Chop, " 200 180

" Leg, " 200 180

" Shoulder, " 180 140

" Liver, " 130 120

Pigs' Chittlings, catty 60 50

" Feet, " 120 110

" Fry, " 110 100

" Head, " 110 100

" Heart, each 70 50